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## **BALTIMORE TECHNOLOGIES PLC**

(Registrant's name)

Baltimore Technologies plc, 1310 Waterside, Arlington Business Park Theale, Reading, Berkshire, England RG7 4SA (Address of principal executive offices)

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**Baltimore Technologies** (London:BLM) today announced that it has entered into an agreeme to sell the operations of Baltimore Technologies Pty Ltd, the Company's Australian subsidiary based in Sydney, for a total consideration of £2.1 million (Aus\$5.7 million) to SecureNet Ltd (ASX: SNX). The transaction consideration consists of an initial cash payment of £1.6 million (Aus\$4.2 million). The balance of the consideration payable in cash is contingent upon the conclusion of contractual negotiations on outstanding new contracts.

SecureNet, a leading provider of Internet and security services in Asia Pacific will, at the same time, be appointed the exclusive distributor of Baltimore's products and related services in Australia and New Zealand, and will also become a Trusted World Partner for Baltimore product and services in other geographic regions in Asia Pacific. Hong Kong is Baltimore Group's headquarters for North and South East Asia with an office in Singapore.

In the year ended 31 December 2001, Baltimore's Australian operations made a net loss before tax of £4.7 million (Aus\$12.8 million) and had net assets of £2.4 million (Aus\$6.4 million). Under the terms of the deal, Baltimore will retain a residual liability for property costs for just under a five year period. Proceeds from the acquisition will be used for general corporate purposes. Baltimore's operations in Australia comprise approximately 100 employees mainly based in Sydney. Its primary focus is Authentication and Authorisation solutions and related professional services to customers, in particular, in Government and the Financial services sector.

Bijan Khezri, Chief Executive Officer of Baltimore Technologies plc commented:

"This transaction encapsulates a significant step in building Baltimore's competitiveness as it  $\iota$  strengthen and broaden our access to existing and new customers in the region while reducinour operating costs.

"Our global strategy is dedicated to extending and leveraging our technology leadership. Partnerships form a critical part of that strategy. Together, Baltimore and SecureNet form the leading force in the regional e-security market. We look forward to exploiting that strength," said, Mr Khezri.

Geoffrey Ross Chief Executive Officer, SecureNet Ltd said:

"SecureNet and Baltimore have a history of working together successfully on some of the APA region's largest and most innovative e-business deployments. I look forward to bringing these two teams together under one roof."

#### For further information:

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### **About Baltimore Technologies**

Baltimore Technologies' products, professional services and solutions solve the fundamental

resources and information users can access on open networks. Many of the world's leading organisations use Baltimore's e-security technology to conduct business more efficiently and cost effectively over the Internet and wireless networks.

Baltimore's products and services are sold directly and through its worldwide partner network Baltimore TrustedWorld. Baltimore Technologies is a public company, trading on the London Stock Exchange (BLM). For more information on Baltimore Technologies please visit http://www.baltimore.com

#### **About SecureNet**

SecureNet Limited is a global provider of secure solutions for Internet applications, remote banking, virtual private networks (VPNs) and e-commerce activities. A broad-based security business, SecureNet's expertise ranges from smart card technology, public key infrastructure (PKI) and firewalls to secure payments and security consultancy.

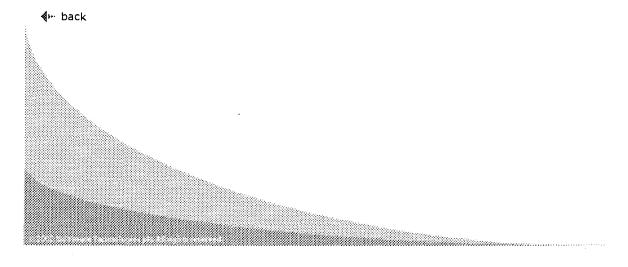
SecureNet was formed in 1996 and listed with the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX:SNX) n Ma 1997. Since that time the organisation has expanded rapidly in both domestic and internation markets. In FY2001 revenues exceeded \$40 million. The Company has been profitable since FY1997.

SecureNet operates within four distinct lines of business: Consulting, Technologies, Sales and Marketing and Support. SecureNet has also become increasingly broad-based, with services ranging from smart card technology, secure email, public key infrastructure (PKI) and firewall to secure payments and security consultancy.

The company has achieved vigorous international growth through the formation of joint ventures and strategic partnership alliances with leading IT&T organisations worldwide - particularly those serving the greater Chinese and Asia Pacific regions.

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BALTIMORE TECHNOLOGIES PLC

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Simon Enoch

Title:

Secretary and General Legal Counsel

DATE: 2002